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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.125 SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION STATEMENT**

SIR:

Please amend the above-identified application before examination, as set forth below.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3), a Substitute Specification (including the Abstract, but without claims) accompanies this response. It is respectfully requested that the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) be entered to replace the Specification of record.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Without prejudice, please cancel original claims 1 to 3 and substitute/annexed claims 1 to 3, and please add new claims 4 to 6 as follows:

*sub-1>* 4. (New) A drive bearing for printing machines for coupling a rotating tool to a drive shaft of a servomotor, the drive bearing comprising:

an element located at an interface between the tool and the drive shaft on a tool axis,  
the element having an axially projecting coupling cone that engages a counter recess of  
the drive shaft, the cone is releasably held in the recess by frictional engagement,